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Subject: MEETING T.A.C./HUNTER REPORT NUMBER 3

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This is my report on the Third Meeting of the Research Committee of T.A.C. which was held on Thursday, 7th of June 1979 at Glen House.

In order to prepare for this meeting, I had consulted, via telephone, with Dr. Seligman and Mr. Hoel. I understand that Dr. Seligman had also discussed the matter with Mr. Holtzman.

The most important item of the meeting was number 4, "Developments arising from the E.C. Meeting with Lord Hunter, etc.". The chairman, Sir James Wilson, restricted the discussion to essentials. However, it became quite clear that while all companies wanted to reject a voluntary agreement on compulsory tar reduction as proposed in the draft Hunter Report No. 3, there was no clear-cut consensus of opinion insofar as a possible offer on behalf of T.A.C. was concerned, covering the funding of research or making available to the Hunter Committee information on science and technology in exchange for Lord Hunter's giving his plans for the voluntary agreement.

If my judgment is right, the only other company which had given any thought in the meantime to a possible course of action was Imperial. This is probably why Sir James broke off the discussion after a while and asked that Dr. Bentley stay on for the afternoon, and possibly the evening, in Glen House in order to prepare a paper which would outline the position of T.A.C. As I was not able to get hold of a copy at the time, I had asked Mr. Steele of our London office to contact T.A.C. in order to get one as soon as possible.

We should bear in mind that the next meeting between the Executive Committee of T.A.C. and Lord Hunter will take place already on July 6th, and that Lord Hunter expects a constructive proposal from T.A.C. by then.

The rest of the meeting was devoted to discussing individual research contracts and was of no general interest.

Please note that enclosed with this memo is T.A.C. document TA754 which is Sir James' report on the meeting with Lord Hunter the week before last.

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